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Kent County’s Board of Commissioners Start 2015 with Oath of Office, Appointments

GRAND RAPIDS – The Kent County Board of Commissioners started the new 2015 session off this morning with the annual Oath of Office for the Commissioners, including three new faces: Stan Stek (District 6), Matt Kallman (District 9) and Emily Post Brieve (District 10).

The Board then elected leadership: Dan Koorndyk (District 18) was re-elected unanimously to the role of Board of Commissioners Chair, while Jim Saalfeld (District 11) retained his role as Board Vice-Chair and Carol Hennessy (District 14) will continue to serve as Board of Commissioners Minority Party Vice-Chair.

There were also a number of appointments made to various county committees, commissions and boards. “These appointments are critical for moving Kent County forward,” said Board Chair Dan Koorndyk. “From the Community Mental Health Authority Board, to the Gerald R. Ford International Airport Board, there are important decisions coming in 2015. Having solid leadership on these boards will allow us to provide the best service possible to our residents.”

Committees and boards appointed by the Board of Commissioners include:

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| Agricultural Preservation Board | Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan – Advisory Council |
| Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan - Board of Directors | Canvassers |
| City/County Building Authority | Community Corrections Advisory Board |
| Community Health Advisory Committee | Community Mental Health Authority Board (network180) |
| Concealed Weapons Licensing Board | County Building Authority |
| Department of Human Services Board | Fire Commission |
| Foreign Trade Zone Board | Friend of the Court Citizens Advisory Committee |
| Gerald R. Ford International Airport (GRFIA) Board | Grand Rapids-Kent County Convention/Arena Authority |
| Grand Valley Metropolitan Council | Housing Commission (Board Chair Appointment) |
| Jury Commission | Kent County Family & Children's Coordinating Council |
| Kent District Library Board | Kent Hospital Finance Authority |
| Lakeshore Regional Entity Substance Abuse Oversight Policy Board | Land Bank Authority |
| Local Development Financing Authority (Board Chair Appointment) | Millennium Park Architectural Advisory Review Board |
| Officers' Compensation Commission (Board Chair Appointment) | Pension Board |
| Public Works Board | Remonumentation Peer Review Group |
| Road Commission Board | Solid Waste Management Planning Committee |
| Veteran's Affairs Committee | |